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Subject: Relocation of the Parker's for the Completion of Removal Actions at the Screening Plant

Dear John,

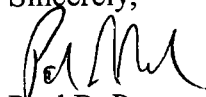
As you know, for the past eighteen months, we have been performing Removal Actions at the former W.R. Grace facility known as the "Screening Plant." As we have discussed at length the first step in undertaking this action was to relocate the Parker's to a safe location prior the start of on-site demolition and excavation activities. The Removal Action, and hence the needed relocation, are being conducted pursuant to the Agency's statutory authority found in Section 104 of the Comprehensive Environmental Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund") and the implementing regulations of the National Contingency Plan found at Title 40 Part 300 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The purpose of this letter is to formally request that the Volpe Center, acting as agents on behalf of the EPA, continue the finalized the arrangements that we have discussed to facilitate the relocation of the Parker's.

It is our understanding that the Volpe Center has collected the needed information to derive a reasonable cost for monthly rental of a suitable house (\$1100/month). The EPA agrees that these costs are reasonable, and concurs with the Volpe Center's innovative proposal to initiate a Purchase Order (PO) with the Parker's directly for these amounts. In evaluating the Agency's obligation under the Uniform Relocation Act the EPA also believes a monthly stipend of \$825 for living expenses be added to the PO. The period to be covered under this PO should be for the optional additional six months (December 2001 – May 2002) because the remedial activities have not yet been completed in due time. As you know the EPA will make separate arrangements with the Parker's as to the final restoration of their property, and that is not to be addressed in the scope of this relocation action.



If you have any questions please call me as soon as possible. You are well aware of the urgency of this project, and its paramount importance to the EPA. I would like to thank you and your staff for all your hard and creative work on this project, in what have been new and difficult conditions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul R. Peronard', written in a cursive style.

Paul R. Peronard
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